



October 19, 2020

Ann Marie Borys, Chair  
Faculty Council on University Facilities and Services

Dear Professor Borys:

The Faculty Council on University Facilities and Services is charged with responsibility “for all matters of policy relating to university facilities and services such as building needs, space utilization, supplies and equipment, administrative services, and parking and traffic problems” (Faculty Code, Sec 42-39). Activities historically performed include monitoring existing and proposed capital projects, transportation updates, and classroom initiatives, by way of inviting key stakeholders and administrators to meetings for providing supplementary information, and for receiving council feedback and guidance on topics at-hand.

Our recommendation is that the council identify specific goals that can be accomplished by the end of the 2020-21 academic year.

The Senate office did a background review to help identify goals for your council. This included review of minutes from last year’s meetings, review of discussions at Faculty Senate meetings, and selected outreach for topics. Recommended goals and / or topics for discussion include:

- Monitor existing and proposed capital projects, in particular the UW Club (formerly known as the Faculty Club)
- Conduct a review of the status of classrooms on all three campuses in respect of ongoing crisis management issues produced by the coronavirus pandemic
- Receive and deliberate on regular updates on Finance Transformation; review transportation services in respect of ongoing crisis management issues produced by the coronavirus pandemic
- Revise FCUFS responsibilities in Faculty Code, Sec 42-39, to better reflect the changed organizational and budgetary contexts in which policies and decisions relating to campus-built environments and administration.

After your first council meeting, we will be available to discuss the goals your council identified. Thereafter, we will post your council’s goals on the Faculty Senate website to communicate the important work you are doing.

Many thanks to you and the members of your council, on behalf of Senate Leadership and the faculty of the University, for all your time and work this coming year. I wish you all the best and look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robin Argotte".

Robin Angotti  
Faculty Senate Chair